Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to further continuing appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: One resolution was introduced, as follows: S.J. Res. 46. Page S66

Measures Passed:

Further Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 153, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, clearing the measure for the President.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade. Page S72

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Recess: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and recessed at 5:54 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Friday, January 5, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S71–72.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 2842–2850; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 156 and H. Res. 331–333 were introduced.

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2130, to amend the Farm Credit Act of 1971 to improve the efficiency and operation of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation in order better to ensure that farmers, ranchers and rural home owners will have access to a stable and competitive supply of mortgage credit now and in the future, amended (H. Rept. 104–446, Part I); and

H. Res. 334, providing for consideration of a motion to dispose of the Senate amendment to H.R. 1643, to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Bulgaria (H. Rept. 104–447).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative LaHood to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Interior Appropriations: By a yea-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 5, the House sustained the President's veto of H.R. 1977, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996 (two-thirds of those present not voting to override. Subsequently, the message and the bill were referred to the Committee on Appropriations).

Pages H111–20

Earlier, agreed to the Regula motion to discharge the Committee on Appropriations from further consideration of the veto of the bill by a voice vote.

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Recess: House recessed at 11:16 p.m. and reconvened at 11:40 p.m.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H111.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page H120. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings ENERGY DEPARTMENT TRAVEL EXPENDITURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Department of Energy: Travel Expenditures and Related Issues. Testimony was heard from Victor Rezendes, Director, Energy Issues, GAO.

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Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Haiti: Human Rights and Police Issues. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Robert S. Gelbard, Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics and Legal Affairs; and James Dobbins, Special Coordinator for Haiti; and the following officials of the Department of Justice: Bill Perry, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division, FBI; and Seth Waxman, Associate Deputy Attorney General.

MFN STATUS FOR BULGARIA

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing that it will be in order to take from the Speaker's table H.R. 1643, to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Bulgaria, with the Senate amendment, and consider in the House the motion printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the rule. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the motion. The rule provides one hour of general debate on the motion, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule provides that the previous question is considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for a division of the question. Testimony was heard from Representative Jackson-Lee.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 1996

Senate

No committee meetings are scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 11 a.m., Friday, January 5

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Friday, January 5

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12 Noon), Senate may consider conference reports, if available, and any cleared legislative and executive business.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of the President's veto of H.R. 2099, VA, HUD Appropriations for fiscal year 1996; and

Consideration, if available, of the President's veto of H.R. 4, Personal Responsibility Act of 1995.

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